

TAMPON, ESPECIALLY FOR FEMININE HYGIENE, AND A PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING THIS

Abstract of the Disclosure

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10 A tampon having a relatively high density, compressed core (16) and a plurality of lower density longitudinal ribs (17) is disclosed. The longitudinal ribs (17) have a softer fiber structure and a coarser capillary structure and extend radially from the core (16). The longitudinal ribs (17) are separated one from another by outwardly open longitudinal grooves (18). A process for preparing the tampon and an apparatus useful in the process are also disclosed.